

**BOARD FOR GEOLOGISTS AND GEOPHYSICISTS**

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E-mail: [geology@dca.ca.gov](mailto:geology@dca.ca.gov)Website: [www.geology.ca.gov](http://www.geology.ca.gov)**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)****MEETING MINUTES****May 6, 2005****9:00 AM****2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room****Sacramento, CA 95833****(916) 263-2113****1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Tony Sawyer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM.

The following members were present:

Tony Sawyer, Chair

Roy Shlemon

Tom Crosby

Joe Mello

Kris Vyberberg

The following members were absent:

Seena Hoose (available via conference call for Item #4, only)

Martin Miele

Limited attendance by:

George Dunfield, Enforcement Manager

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Tony Sawyer presented a legislative alert that came from the California Groundwater Association regarding AB290, Study of Hard Rock Well Testing Methods, authored by Tim Leslie. It was decided that this information should be brought to the Board's attention.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 28, 2005 TAC MEETING**

The minutes were not approved as there were errors in the attendees, the numbering of items, and in the description of the first Item 4. These will be rectified for approval at the next TAC meeting. Kris Vyberberg will forward specific corrections to Mr. Sawyer on Item 4.

**4. REPORT ON FOREST PRACTICE AND GEOLOGY ISSUES**

By phone, Seena Hoose reported on a presentation given to the Geological Society of America (GSA) by Pacific Watershed Associates (PWA) on the success of the stream repair program. PWA was given a grant by the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) to review the effectiveness of work performed (primarily by PWA) using the Salmonid Habitat Restoration Guide Part X (written by PWA) and determined that the repairs were 90% effective. Kris Vyverberg indicated that this situation should be rectified by changes enacted in the grant process at BGG request. Kris Vyverberg reviewed Part X line by line and found that there are sections that are geologic work but there are sections that are not. The document cannot be easily revised to correct this. Therefore, DFG has removed the document from the web site. Part X is being reevaluated and people are being contacted in this regard. The next version will be extensively reviewed with BGG input. Tony Sawyer will present the information to the Board. Kris Vyverberg will keep George Dunfield informed of developments and update the TAC at its next meeting regarding Part X and the PWA GSA presentation.

**5. REPORT ON BOARD/EXAMINATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 29, 2005 ON WHETHER TO MAINTAIN, MODIFY OR ELIMINATE THE CALIFORNIA-SPECIFIC PORTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST LICENSING EXAMINATION**

Discussion of the proposal to remove the California specific portion of the licensing exam.

Motion made by Roy Shlemon to ask the Board if they wish the TAC to review and evaluate retention of CA specific exam from a technical standpoint.

Joe Mello seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Shlemon that a recommendation is made to the Board that the Executive Officer's document on the web site regarding this topic is removed or a caveat is added that it represents the personal opinion of the EO and does not necessarily represent the Board or its committees.

Tom Crosby seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

**6. REPORT ON BOARD ASSIGNMENTS TO THE TAC**

TAC to evaluate ways BGG can assist Agencies and Counties with enforcement. Tony Sawyer to provide San Diego County's guidelines as an example.

New volunteers: none needed at this time. Should call for volunteers in the fall. TAC

recommends Kris Vyverberg be kept as a member of the TAC to fulfill her prescribed term.

Kris Vyverberg will contact some individuals about updating foresters on guidelines.

Work continues on standards of practice guidelines.

**7. TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Sawyer scheduled the next TAC meeting for Friday, July 1, 2005 in Sacramento.

**8. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

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**TONY SAWYER, Chair**

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**PAUL SWEENEY, Executive Officer**

**Date Approved:**